

115TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 5964

To amend the Professional Boxing Safety Act of 1996 to provide additional safety standards for professional boxing.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 24, 2018

Mr. CARTWRIGHT (for himself and Ms. EDDIE BERNICE JOHNSON of Texas) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and the Workforce, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Professional Boxing
5 Safety Enhancement Act of 2018”.

6 **SEC. 2. ADDITIONAL SAFETY STANDARDS.**

7 Section 5 of the Professional Boxing Safety Act of
8 1996 (15 U.S.C. 6304) is amended—

1 (1) in the matter preceding paragraph (1), by
2 striking “or an alternative requirement in effect
3 under regulations of a boxing commission that pro-
4 vides equivalent protection of the health and safety
5 of boxers”;

6 (2) by redesignating paragraphs (3) and (4) as
7 paragraphs (5) and (6), respectively; and

8 (3) by striking paragraph (2) and inserting the
9 following:

10 “(2) A boxer must provide with the application
11 for a license or for renewal of the license an original
12 or certified copy of the results of medical tests
13 which—

14 “(A) were performed by a laboratory dur-
15 ing the calendar year for which the license is
16 being issued or no earlier than 30 days before
17 the date on which the application is submitted;

18 “(B) show that the boxer is not infected
19 with the human immunodeficiency virus; and

20 “(C) show that the boxer is not infected
21 with the hepatitis virus.

22 “(3) An ambulance continuously present on
23 site.

1 “(4) Emergency medical personnel with appro-
2 priate resuscitation equipment continuously present
3 on site.”.

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